House Resolution No. 2771

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives recognize the significance of the institution of marriage as a vital foundation of American society and wholeheartedly believe that a successful union can be achieved only through a loving relationship of mutual honor, respect, and trust; and

Whereas, a period of six wondrous decades has passed since John Lewis Casey lovingly took the hand of his beautiful bride, Emma Lou Whitten, during a solemn ceremony on April 17, 1948, in Salem, Arkansas; and

Whereas, in the years since that heavenly day, John and Emma Casey have had the pleasure of raising four children, Brant, Monty, Tammy, and Edward, and the privilege of spoiling nine grandchildren and four great-grandchildren; and

Whereas, a veteran of World War II, John Casey has compiled an impressive list of achievement that also includes being a truck driver and a bus driver and serving thirty-five years as a dairy farmer and thirty years as a pastor; and

Whereas, a devoted wife, loving mother, and exemplary homemaker, Emma Casey has further distinguished herself by being a teacher for seven years, serving her church in various capacities for fifty years, and helping her husband with his ministry; and

Whereas, during their half century together, John and Emma Casey have cherished each other every day in sickness and in health with the love so deep in their hearts; and

Whereas, Mr. and Mrs. Casey of Alton will commemorate the resplendent occasion of their Sixtieth Wedding Anniversary with a special celebration on April 20, 2008:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join in extending our most hearty congratulations to John and Emma Casey and in wishing them only the best as they continue their journey walking hand-in-hand along life's path; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Mr. and Mrs. John Lewis Casey, as a measure of our esteem for them.

Offered by
Representative Mike Dethrow
District No. 153
I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 2771, adopted May 7, 2008.